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SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

Voice of the People

COMPLETE STORY

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CITADEL ROBOTNIK, THE NERVE CENTRE OF DOCTOR ROBOTNIK'S EVIL EMPIRE.

I WANT SONIC FOUND!

I HAVE PLANET MOBIUS COMPLETELY UNDER MY CONTROL, HOW CAN THAT CURSED HEDGEHOG ELUDE ME?

AND WHAT'S WORSE... HOW CAN HE HAVE HIDDEN THE ENTIRE POPULATION OF THE EMERALD HILL ZONE? *

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* THEY'RE CURRENTLY LIVING PEACEFULLY ON THE FLOATING ISLAND – MEGADROID.

MASTER, SOMEONE IS TRYING TO MAKE CONTACT ON YOUR PRIVATE VIDEO-LINK NUMBER.

THEN PUT THEM THROUGH, YOU SNIVELLING IDIOT!

Y... YES, MASTER!

HI, LARD BELLY! THOUGHT YOU'D APPRECIATE A CALL!

SONIC! HOW DID YOU GET THIS NUMBER?

YOU CAN'T KEEP SECRETS FROM ME, ROBOTNIK!

WHAT DO YOU WANT, YOU SPIKED FREAK? COME ON, I'M A BUSY DICTATOR!

WELL YOU WON'T BE FOR MUCH LONGER! YOUR PLANS HAVE COME TO NOTHING! YOUR DEATH EGG WAS DESTROYED, YOUR METALLIX PROJECT FLOPPED...

FACE IT, ROBOTNIK, YOUR DAYS ARE NUMBERED!

TRANSMISSION ENDS

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BAH!

MASTER, WE'RE GETTING REPORTS OF A DISTURBANCE!

PRELIMINARY REPORTS SAY THERE'S A *DEMONSTRATION* IN SECTOR ALPHA 34.

ALPHA 34? THAT'S WHERE THEY'VE JUST ERECTED MY NEW STATUE!

DOWN WITH ROBOTNIK!

DOWN WITH ROBOTNIK

ROBOTNIK MUST GO!

ROBOTNIK OUT!

"THEY'VE GOT TO BE **STOPPED!**"

UH OH, LOOKS LIKE ROBOTNIK HAS CALLED IN HIS FLUNKIES... I'D BETTER GET DOWN FROM HERE!

IT'S THE *SBS*! RUN FOR IT!*

* *SPECIAL BADNIK SERVICE* – MEGADROID.

REMOVE THAT CITIZEN FROM OUR LEADER'S NOSE!

SIR!

AGGH!

KR-ZAAK!

OH NO!

HEY, WHAT'S THAT?

DON'T PANIC, SIR, I'VE GOT YOU!

TAILS... IT'S TAILS!

AND WHERE TAILS IS, YOU'LL ALSO FIND...

DOWN WITH ROBOTNIK

ROBOTNIK MUST GO!

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!

GET HIM!

WE'LL HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF THESE BOZOS *QUICKLY*... WE CAN'T RISK ANYONE GETTING *HURT!*

KRASH!

FAZAAK!

KREKK!

BOK!

KRUMP!

KROOM!

SOMETIMES THIS IS JUST *TOO* EASY!

TAKE COVER! I'VE SET THE EXPLOSIVES!

HUH?

KA-BOOOOM!

THANKS FOR YOUR *HELP*, SONIC, WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE THIS IF YOU HADN'T TAKEN CARE OF THOSE *BADNIKS!*

KRESSH!

HEY, THAT'S WHAT I'M *HERE* FOR!

ROBOTNIK'S LOSING HIS HOLD OVER THE PEOPLE OF MOBIUS, TAILS... I CAN *FEEL* IT!

OKAY, EVERYBODY GET OUT OF HERE! IF I KNOW ROBOTNIK, HE'S *ALREADY* SENDING ANOTHER SBS SQUAD HERE, SO LET'S NOT PUSH OUR LUCK!

THE PROTEST IS OVER, MASTER ... YOUR STATUE WILL BE REPLACED WITHIN THE WEEK!

THE STATUE IS IRRELEVANT, GRIMER! THE POINT IS, MY SUBJECTS DARED TO ATTACK IT!

THE STATUE WAS A SYMBOL OF MY POWER!

URK ...

DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND, GRIMER? THE PEOPLE NO LONGER FEAR ME!

URK... URK...

BUT I'LL CHANGE ALL THAT!

BY THE TIME I'VE FINISHED WITH THEM, THOSE PEOPLE WILL TREMBLE AT THE VERY MENTION OF THE NAME DOCTOR ROBOTNIK!

MORE SONIC THRILLS NEXT ISSUE!

KNUCKLES™ and TAILS™

THE REVENGE OF TROGG Part 2

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TAILS HAS RETURNED TO THE NAMELESS ZONE WHERE HE IS THE PEOPLE'S CHAMPION.

HE (CLOSELY FOLLOWED BY **KNUCKLES**) HAS ARRIVED JUST IN TIME TO MEET UP WITH HIS OLD FRIEND ERROL BLACKTHORN.

ERROL! WHAT'S HAPPENED TO YOU?

I'VE... CHANGED.

I WAS A FOOL! I WENT INTO THE LAND BEYOND TO SAVE THE ENCHANTER KINGS!

BUT THE MIGHTY TROGG FOUND ME FIRST!

WHAT DID HE DO TO YOU?

WHAT DID HE DO?

HE MADE ME STRONG!

TAILS, LOOK OUT!

ERROL IS POSSESSED BY *EVIL FORCES*, SONIC!* YOU'D BETTER LEAVE HIM TO OUR GREAT HERO AND CHAMPION, *TAILS!*

*THE NAMELESS ZONE FOLK HAVE MISTAKEN KNUCKLES FOR SONIC! -MEGADROID.

THESE PEOPLE ARE *CRAZY!* TAILS IS BRAVE BUT NOT A FIGHTER!

I *REALLY* THINK I'D BETTER HELP HIM!

BKKO

YAGGGH!

WHEW! THANKS, KNU...ER, *SONIC!*

SO *YOU'RE* SONIC, TAILS' SIDEKICK, EH?

EVERYONE KEEPS SAYING SO, SO I SUPPOSE IT *MUST* BE TRUE!

WAKK!

WELL, GET READY FOR AN EARLY RETIREMENT, *WEAKLING!*

AAGH!

FOOL! I HAVE THE POWER OF THE *DARK ONE* HIMSELF!

KNUCKLES, HE'S TOO STRONG! I DON'T THINK EVEN *YOU* CAN BEAT HIM!

THANKS FOR THE VOTE OF *CONFIDENCE*! NOW STAND BACK AND LET ME SHOW YOU SOMETHING!

WHAAAAAM!

LAUGH THIS OFF, YOU OVERSTUFFED HAMSTER!

WHAKK!

HE'S OUT! BUT HE WON'T BE FOR LONG!

WHAT DO WE DO WITH HIM NOW?

I KNOW JUST THE THING!

MINUTES LATER.

THESE STOCKS HAVEN'T BEEN USED FOR YEARS, BUT THEY OUGHT TO BE STRONG ENOUGH!

STILL, YOU'D BETTER SEE HE'S GUARDED NIGHT AND DAY!

WHAT DO WE DO NOW?... THE ENCHANTER KINGS ARE STILL PRISONERS OF THE EVIL TROGG!

DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT, TAILS HAS A PLAN!

I DO? I MEAN... OF COURSE I DO!

KNUCKLES, WHY ARE YOU LETTING THEM THINK YOU'RE SONIC AND THAT YOU WORK FOR ME?

HEY, I DON'T WANT TO *EMBARRASS* YOU OR ANYTHING!

BESIDES, IT'S A RELIEF TO BE IN A ZONE WHERE PEOPLE DON'T WORSHIP THAT LITTLE BLUE SHOW OFF!

TAILS, YOU MENTIONED A *PLAN?*

UH, YES... I THOUGHT IF WE ALL SAT DOWN AND WROTE A *STIFF LETTER* TO TROGG AND...

WHAT TAILS MEANS IS HE THINKS HE AND I SHOULD GO INTO THE LAND BEYOND AND BUST THE ENCHANTER KINGS OUT!

ER, YES... THAT WAS MY *OTHER* PLAN...

AND SO...

THIS BRIDGE IS THE ONLY WAY IN OR OUT OF THE LAND BEYOND!

MAY *GOOD FORTUNE* TRAVEL WITH YOU!

KNUCKLES, YOU SURE THIS PLAN OF YOURS IS A GOOD IDEA?

HEY, I'M WITH THE *HERO* OF THE NAMELESS ZONE... WHAT COULD GO WRONG?

NEXT ISSUE: *A BRIDGE TOO FAR!*

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CAPTAIN Plunder & HIS SKY PIRATES!

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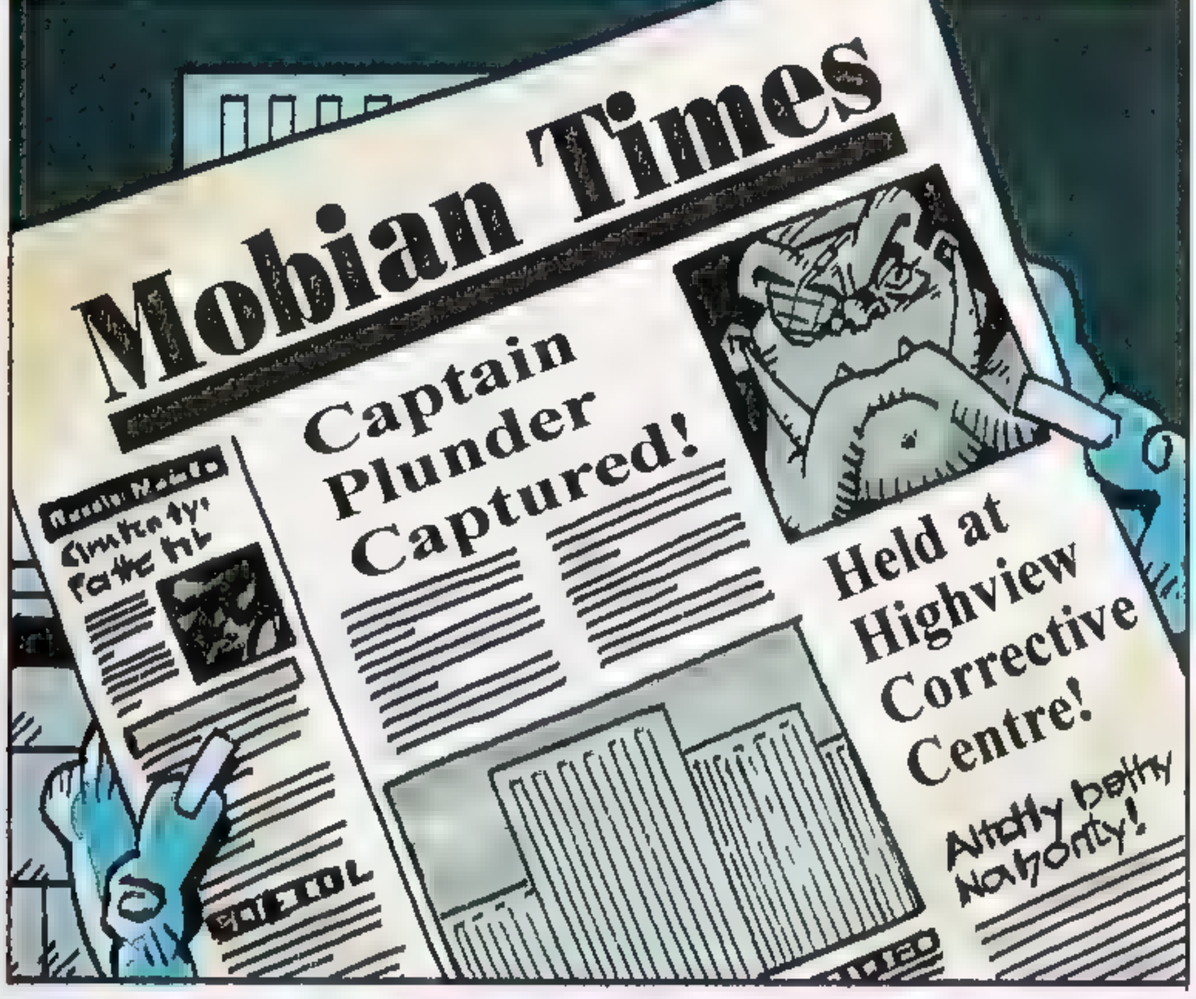

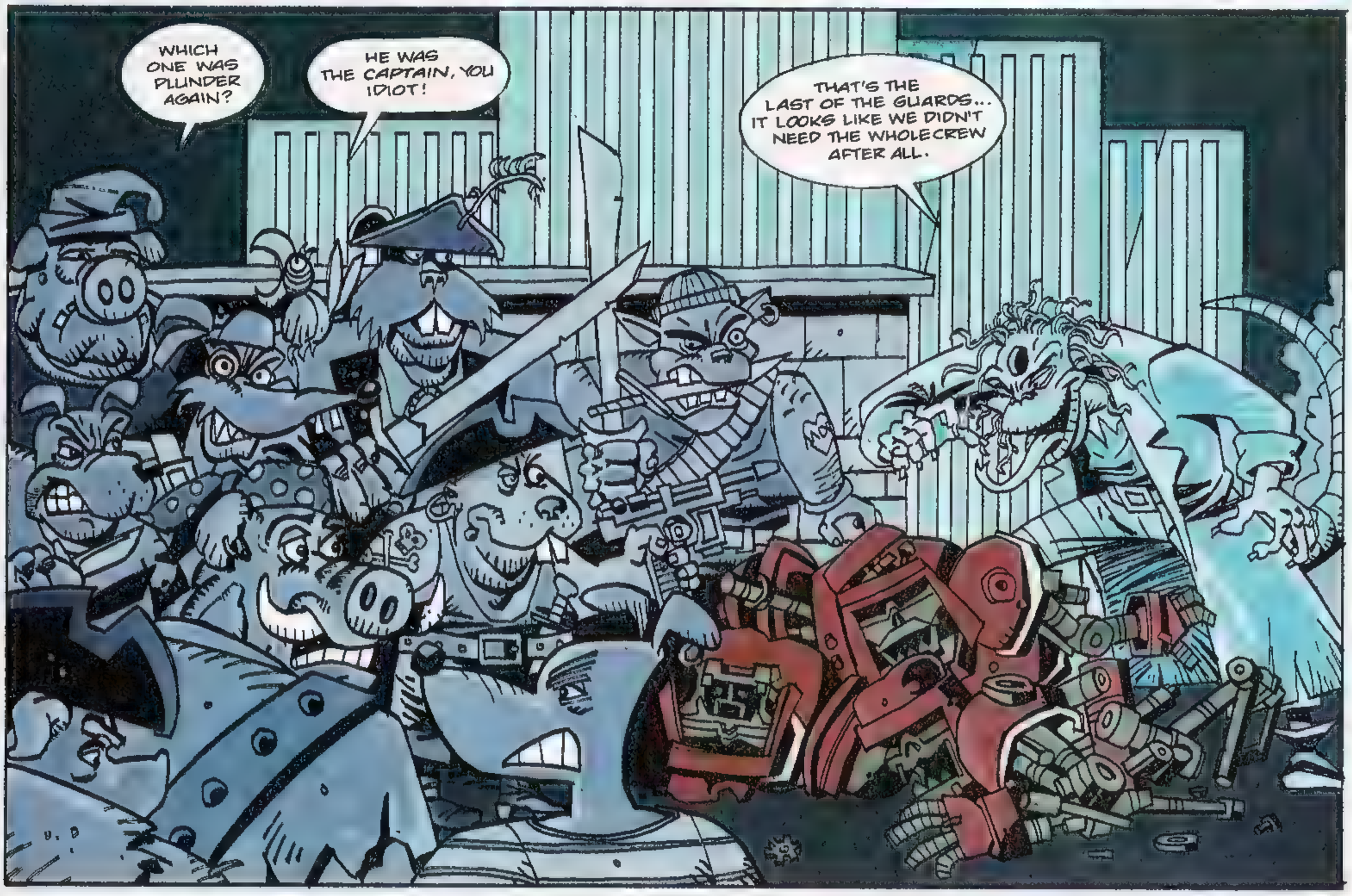
WHICH ONE WAS PLUNDER AGAIN?
HE WAS THE CAPTAIN, YOU IDIOT!
THAT'S THE LAST OF THE GUARDS... IT LOOKS LIKE WE DIDN'T NEED THE WHOLE CREW AFTER ALL.

MEANWHILE, IN THE HIGHVIEW DUNGEONS...

RIGHT, THAT TAKES CARE OF THE *CHAINS*! NOW, LET'S BE GETTING A MOVE ON...

WHAT BE YOUR NAME ANYWAY, LAD?

SIMPSON THE CAT – AT YOUR SERVICE!

NOW LOOK 'ERE! 'EE SPOKE OF *A SECRET TUNNEL* THAT WOULD GET US OUT OF THIS 'ERE DUNGEON!

OH, YES, ABSOLUTELY! THERE'S A SECRET TUNNEL ALL RIGHT!

IT'S IN THAT *WALL* OVER THERE!

THE ONE WE CAN'T GET TO BECAUSE OF ALL THESE *BARS* AND SUCH?

SO *NOW* WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO, YA FLEA-BITTEN, SCUM-SUCKING, CENSORED* MOGGY?

WELL, I'M NOT *ENTIRELY* SURE...

*I'M NOT HAVING LANGUAGE LIKE THAT IN **THIS** COMIC – MEGADROID.

HMMM...

?!

?

K-CHAK!

THERE BE SOMETHING NOT QUITE *RIGHT* ABOUT YOU SIMPSON. DO 'EE KNOW THAT?

SHALL WE GO?

NOW JUST 'EE LISTEN TO ME FOR A MINUTE!

THIS AIN'T HOW CAPTAIN PLUNDER IS *SUPPOSED* TO ESCAPE FROM PRISON! SO WE BE GOING TO GAY WE FOUGHT OUR WAY THROUGH *DOZENS* OF WELL-ARMED GUARDS ...GOT THAT?

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?

LOOKS LIKE I GET TO SAVE THE GOVERNMENT THE COST OF A *HANGING!*

NOW THIS BE MORE LIKE IT!

HAR, TAKE THAT, 'EE SCURVY KNAVE!

BLACK PAINT

DOK!

THWAKK!

ARRG!

BLACK PAINT

HUH?

I DON'T BELIEVE THIS!

AAAAA!

WE FOUGHT OUR WAY THROUGH TWENTY GUARDS, YOU GOT THAT, MATE?

OH, I'D HAVE SAID TWENTY-FIVE AT LEAST!

THIS TUNNEL WAS DUG BY BILLY GULCH. IT TOOK HIM TWENTY YEARS. THE DAY BEFORE HE WAS GOING TO USE IT THEY *PARDONED* HIM ...POOR GUY NEVER GOT OVER IT!

MEANWHILE, IN THE PRISON GROUNDS. CAPTAIN PLUNDER'S CREW HAVE MADE A DISCOVERY...

WE'VE FOUND IT, LADS! THIS HAS GOT TO BE *GULCH'S TUNNEL!*

CAPTAIN PLUNDER IS AS GOOD AS RESCUED!

NEXT ISSUE: IN THE DARK!

DOUBLE SONIC

HOT LEGS

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NEW COMPLETE STORY!

THE RESIDENTS OF THE EMERALD HILL ZONE PREPARE EFFIGIES OF DOCTOR ROBOTNIK FOR THE PUBLIC BONFIRE...

DO YOU THINK MINE LOOKS LIKE HIM, THEN?

IT'S CERTAINLY UGLY ENOUGH!

THIS IS A FIERY WAY FOR THE PEOPLE TO UNWIND!

YEP! SEEING ROBOTNIK GET *HOT* UNDER THE COLLAR!

THAT'S THE THEORY ANYWAY!

MY ROBOTNIK'S THE UGLIEST!

PATHETIC! MINE IS UGLIER THAN YOURS!

PLEASE! PLEASE! NO ARGUMENTS!

I THINK THIS ONE BEATS THE LOT!

ER... A BIT OVER THE TOP ISN'T IT?

THE ANONYMOUS OVERSEAS BENEFACTOR... DOCTOR ROBOTNIK!

I BET SOMEONE HAD HELP BUILDING THAT!

WHO KNOWS? IT'S AN ANONYMOUS GIFT FROM OVERSEAS!

LOOKS LIKE A WASTE OF GOOD TREES TO ME!

NOW, MASTER?

NOW, GRIMER!

HEY! IT'S OPENING UP!

THIS COULD BE TROUBLE!

BADNIKS! IT'S FULL OF BADNIKS!

BWAMM!

WOW! FIREWORKS!

THIS IS NOT PART OF THE SHOW, DUDES!

CLEAR THE AREA!

BZAKK!

FZAMM!

TIME FOR TEAMWORK!

THANKS, BUDDY!

BOSH!

THERE'S TOO MANY! WE'LL NEVER BEAT THEM ALL!

NEVER SAY NEVER, TAILS!

KEEP 'EM BUSY! I'VE GOT AN IDEA!

BUT...

JUST *TRUST* ME!

COME ON, YOU WIMPS! YOU'RE ALL TOO LONG IN THE *TOOTH* IF YOU ASK ME!

HOPE THEY FALL FOR THE INSULTS!

Tch! SONIC'S LEFT TAILS TO DO ALL THE HARD WORK, WHILE *HE* GOES FOR A *RUN AROUND!*

DON'T YOU BELIEVE IT, PAL!

IT'S AMAZING WHAT A BIT OF *FRICTION* CAN DO!

CRRREAK!

WELL DONE, TAILS! NOW *MOVE* IT!

CRRAGNH!!

Gulp!

NNGHH!

LATER...

ANOTHER ONE OF ROBOTNIK'S EVIL IDEAS GOES UP IN SMOKE!

THE END

NEXT ISSUE: TALL TAILS!

SONIC'S WORLD

Part 2 A Tale of Tails

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HEY, YOU'RE BACK ALREADY! DON'T THOSE WEEKS JUST FLY BY!

OKAY, NOW WHERE WERE WE?

OH YEAH!

SONIC HAD JUST HAD HIS FIRST GREAT VICTORY OVER ROBOTNIK AND THINGS WERE LOOKING ROSY... EXCEPT NOBODY WAS SURE WHAT TO DO WITH THE *CHAOS EMERALDS*...

"... SO THEY TOOK THEM TO THE UNDERGROUND LAB."

WHEN DID THIS START, PORKER?

THE EMERALDS STARTED GIVING OFF RADIATION ABOUT HALF AN HOUR AGO... THE LEVEL'S BEEN *RISING* EVER SINCE!

FSSSHHH

THE EMERALDS... THEY *VANISHED!*

YAAA!

HE TOOK THE *FULL BLAST*...

SONIC? YOU OKAY SONIC?

AM I *OKAY?*

DON'T I *LOOK* OKAY?

RAAAAAAAGHHHH! GOTTAGETOUTTATHISPLACE!

SHROOMM.

WHAT HAPPENED... DID THE EMERALDS DO *THAT* TO HIM?

"THAT WAS IT ALL RIGHT! THE EMERALD RADIATION HAD CHANGED SONIC INTO THE *UNCONTROLLABLE* SUPER SONIC!"

IT TURNS OUT THAT THE CHAOS EMERALDS SOON BECOME *UNSTABLE* WHEN THEY ARE KEPT TOGETHER.

THIS CAUSES AN ENERGY SURGE WHICH WARPS THEM BACK TO THE *SPECIAL ZONE*.

"ANYWAY, SONIC EVENTUALLY TURNED BACK TO HIS NORMAL COOL, BLUE SELF."

WOW! WHAT HAPPENED?

MAN, WHERE AM I NOW? LOOKS LIKE THE *SWAMPLAND ZONE!*

HELP! HELP! GLUB...

HELP, HELP, GLUB?

THE SWAMP! LOOKS LIKE A COUPLE OF GUYS HAVE FALLEN IN!

HEY! THEY'RE IN BIG TROUBLE!

HOLD STILL, DUDES! GONNA HAVE TO PULL YOU OUT *ONE AT A TIME!*

PHEW! THANKS MISTER! THOUGHT I WAS DONE FOR!

UH OH ... IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S TOO LATE FOR YOUR BUDDY...

THERE IS NOBODY ELSE, MISTER, I WAS ALL *ALONE!*

BUT... BUT I SAW *TWO* TAILS!

THAT'S RIGHT, AND THEY WERE *BOTH* MINE... SEE?

AND IF I SPIN THEM LIKE THIS, I CAN FLY. FOR A SHORT TIME, ANYWAY.

HEY, NOT BAD LITTLE GUY!

WHAT DO THEY CALL YOU, PAL?

MY REAL NAME'S MILES PROWER, BUT EVERYONE CALLS ME *TAILS!*

IT FIGURES...

THEN, SUDDENLY, ROBOTNIK WAS BACK.

"HE BUILT THE ULTIMATE WEAPON ... A SPACE SATELLITE HE CALLED THE DEATH EGG!

"SONIC HAD TO FIGHT LEGIONS OF BADNIKS BEFORE HE MADE IT TO THE SATELLITE ...

"... WHERE ROBOTNIK WAS WAITING FOR HIM IN HIS DEADLY BATTLE ARMOUR!"*

* CHECK OUT THE SECOND SONIC GAME FOR THE FULL STORY – MEGADROID.

ANYBODY WONDERING WHAT HAPPENED TO THE CHAOS EMERALDS?

WELL, NOT ONLY DID SONIC GET THEM ALL BACK, BUT HE ALSO FOUND A SAFE PLACE TO HIDE THEM ...

"... THE NORTH CAVE IN THE FROZEN ZONE. IN THESE ARCTIC CONDITIONS THE EMERALDS REMAIN STABLE.

"AND EVEN BETTER, NOBODY EVER GOES THERE.

"WELL NOT UNTIL RECENTLY THAT IS ... BUT THAT'S ANOTHER STORY...*"

* SEE STC 25 – MEGADROID.

MORE SECRETS OF SONIC'S WORLD COMING IN STC [illegible]. BE THERE OR BE SQUARE!